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SUBJECT: TURKMENISTAN: GLOBAL INITIATIVE TO COMBAT NUCLEAR
TERRORISM: INTERIM RESPONSE

REF: STATE 21284

Classified By: Acting Charge d'Affaires, a.i. Richard E. Hoagland for reasons 1.4 (B) and (D).

11. (SBU) A/CDA met with Russian Ambassador Blatov April 3 and presented reftel talking points and statement of principles in Russian translation. He noted this was a U.S-Russian presidential initiative, and asked Ambassador Blatov to join him, or other EmbOffs, to make a joint demarche to the Government of Turkmenistan.

12. (C) After perusing the material, Blatov said he personally would be glad to join a joint demarche, but would seek concurrence from Moscow. He speculated that Turkmenistan's "permanent neutrality" could prevent Ashgabat from joining such a multi-lateral initiative. A/CDA pointed out that the Government of Turkmenistan is party to the U.S. Proliferation Security Initiative, and that, in principle, the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism should be little different.

13. (U) Ambassador Blatov undertook to respond to Embassy Ashgabat by the beginning of the week of April 9.

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